The Peabody Museum of Salem is the direct outgrowth of the collection of "natural and artificial curiosities" gathered from the four corners of the earth by the members of the East India Marine Society, organized in 1799 by a group of Salem captains and supercargoes. East India Marine Hall, the meeting place of the Society, was built in 1824, with enlargements from time to time to house the Museum's ever-growing collections. In 1867 the Museum was renamed to honor a benefactor, George Peabody, the great philanthropist, born near Salem in 1795, died in London 1869. Income from endowments, together with gifts from Fellows and Friends, enables the Museum to be maintained without receiving tax-raised support.

The collections are arranged in three main classes: maritime history, ethnology, and the natural history of Essex County. In addition to the materials displayed, the Museum has available to qualified persons large study collections and a comprehensive library of printed and manuscript books, documents, ship plans, charts, maps, and photographs.

Publications of the Museum may be obtained at the sales desk. The constable will direct visitors to any particular collection. Photographs and information concerning any object may be obtained from the curatorial staff.

Permission to use cameras in the Museum buildings must be requested from the constable.

Parking for cars is usually available in the Municipal Parking lot at the corner of Liberty and Charter Streets.

PEABODY MUSEUM

Salem, Massachusetts

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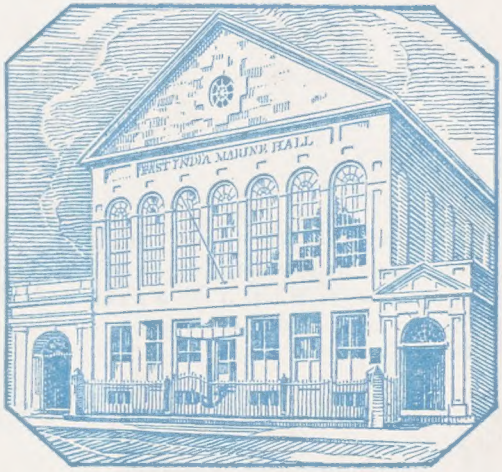

The Museum is open every weekday from 9 A.M. *to* 5 P.M. *and on Sundays and holidays from* 2 *to* 5 P.M.

excepting from November 1 *to March* 1 *when the weekday closing hour is* 4 P.M. *Closed all day Thanksgiving, Christmas, and New Year's Day.*

Library and offices closed Saturdays, Sundays and holidays.

Admission
(subject to change without notice)

Adults $1.00

Children 6 to 16 years 50¢
(under 6 years no charge)

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FIRST FLOOR

1. Entrance Corridor and Sales Desk.

Postcards, prints, slides, Wedgwood china, and publications may be purchased here.

2. Marine Room.

Sailing ship models, paintings, and carvings. Wharf Diorama.

3-4. Stairhall and gallery.

Models of whaling vessels, boats, scrimshaw and whaling gear.

5. Storage.

6. John Robinson Hall.

Portraits of Salem master mariners, paintings of oriental ports, materials relating to the oriental trade, life-size figures of India merchants. Models of 18th- and early 19th-century vessels.

7. Loring Memorial Room.

Special exhibitions.

8. Rest Rooms.

9. Natural History Dioramas.

10. Essex County Bird Collection.

11. Birds and fish.

12. Underwater Exhibit, Mammals, Reptiles, Amphibians.

13. Corridor.

Nautical instruments, tools of the ship designer, carpenter, rigger, sailmaker, cooper, caulker, flags, marine lighting devices, and objects connected with seafaring life.

14. Louise du Pont Crowninshield Room.

Special exhibitions and meeting room.

15. Phillips Library.

Holds an important collection of manuscripts, books, maps and charts dealing with ethnology, natural and maritime history. Open for research to any serious-minded person.

16. Saltonstall Reading Room.

SECOND FLOOR

17. East India Marine Hall.

The meeting room of the East India Marine Society. Ship pictures, portraits, figureheads, Liverpool ware, Bowditch navigation collection. East India Marine Society memorabilia.

18-21. The Francis B. Crowninshield Gallery.

Mrs. Francis B. Crowninshield's collection of Chinese export porcelain with marine decoration.

Reproduction of the saloon of Captain George Crowninshield's yacht *Cleopatra's Barge*.

The owner's cabin with his bed and other relics of *Cleopatra's Barge*.

Paintings of Crowninshield vessels, wharf, portraits and mementoes of the family and of *Cleopatra's Barge*.

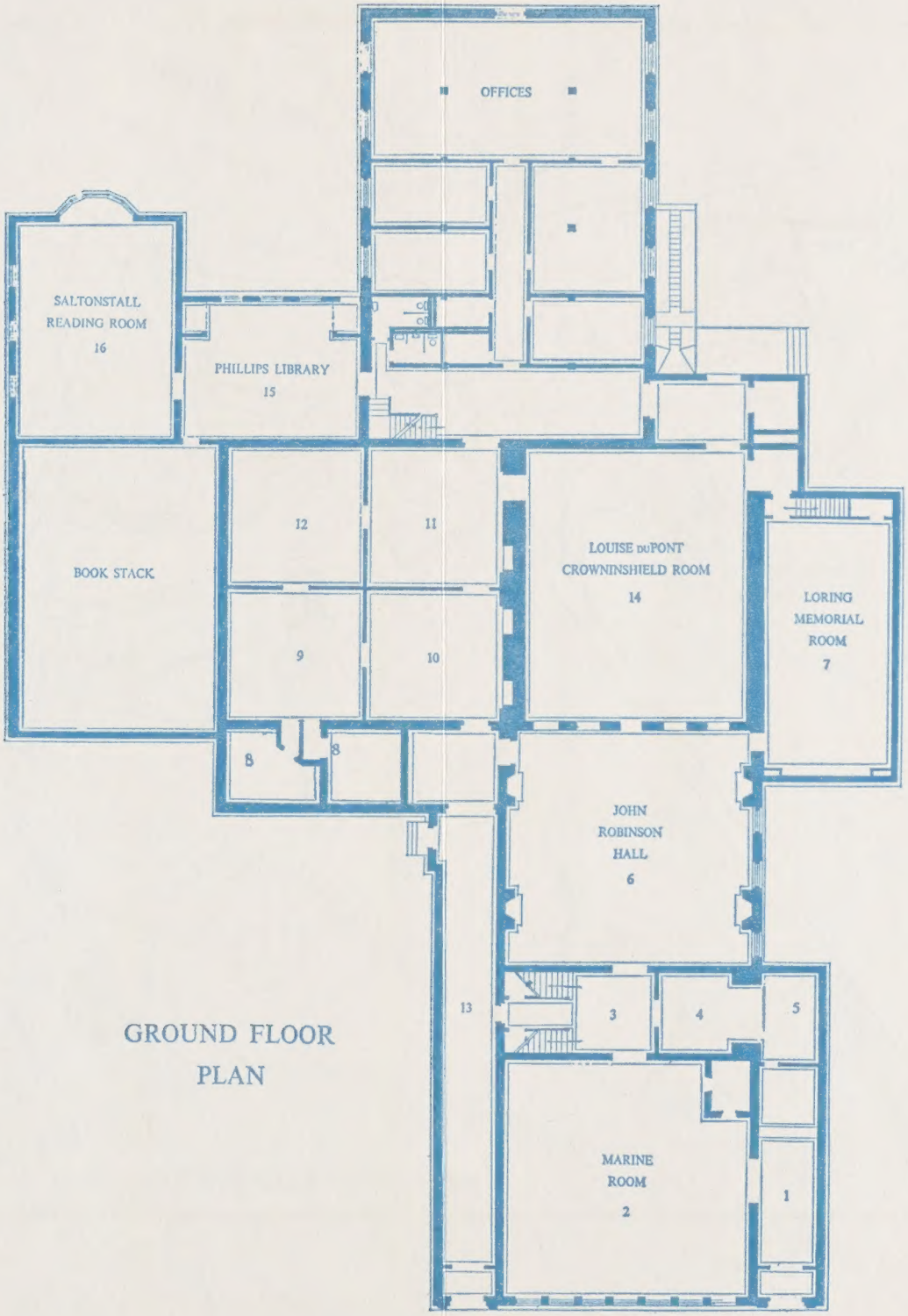
22. East Hall.

Polynesian, Melanesian and Micronesian utensils, dress, adornment, weapons, art, canoe models, etc. On the gallery, similar objects from North and South America, Africa and Indonesia.

23. Weld Hall.

One of the world's finest collections of Japanese ethnological objects. The gallery is devoted to Chinese, Siamese, East Indian, Tibetan and Korean ethnology.

From time to time the Museum reproduces in limited editions paintings, prints and objects from its collections. These may be seen at the Sales Desk in the Entrance Corridor or a descriptive list will be mailed upon request. A price list of Museum publications also is available.



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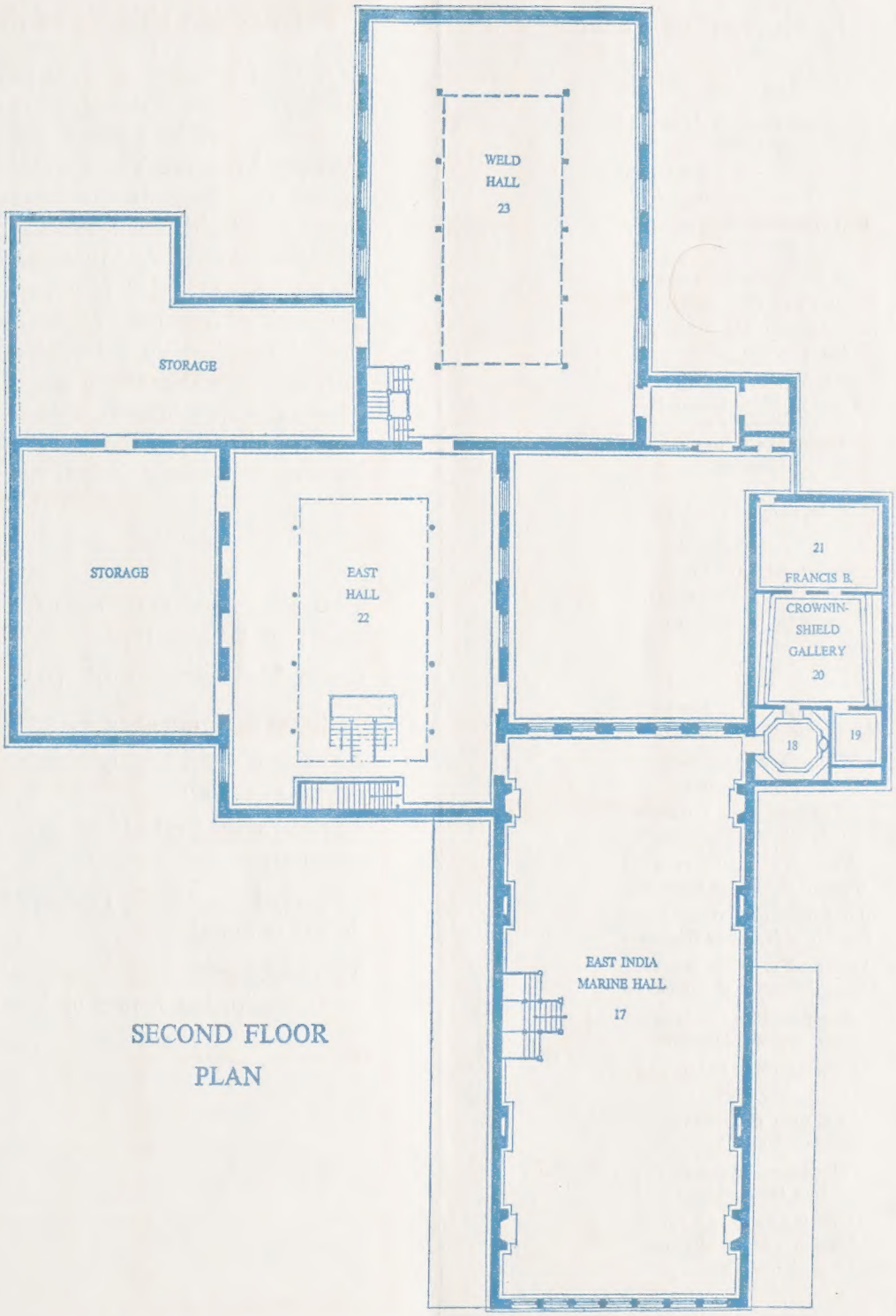

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Salem, Massachusetts 01970

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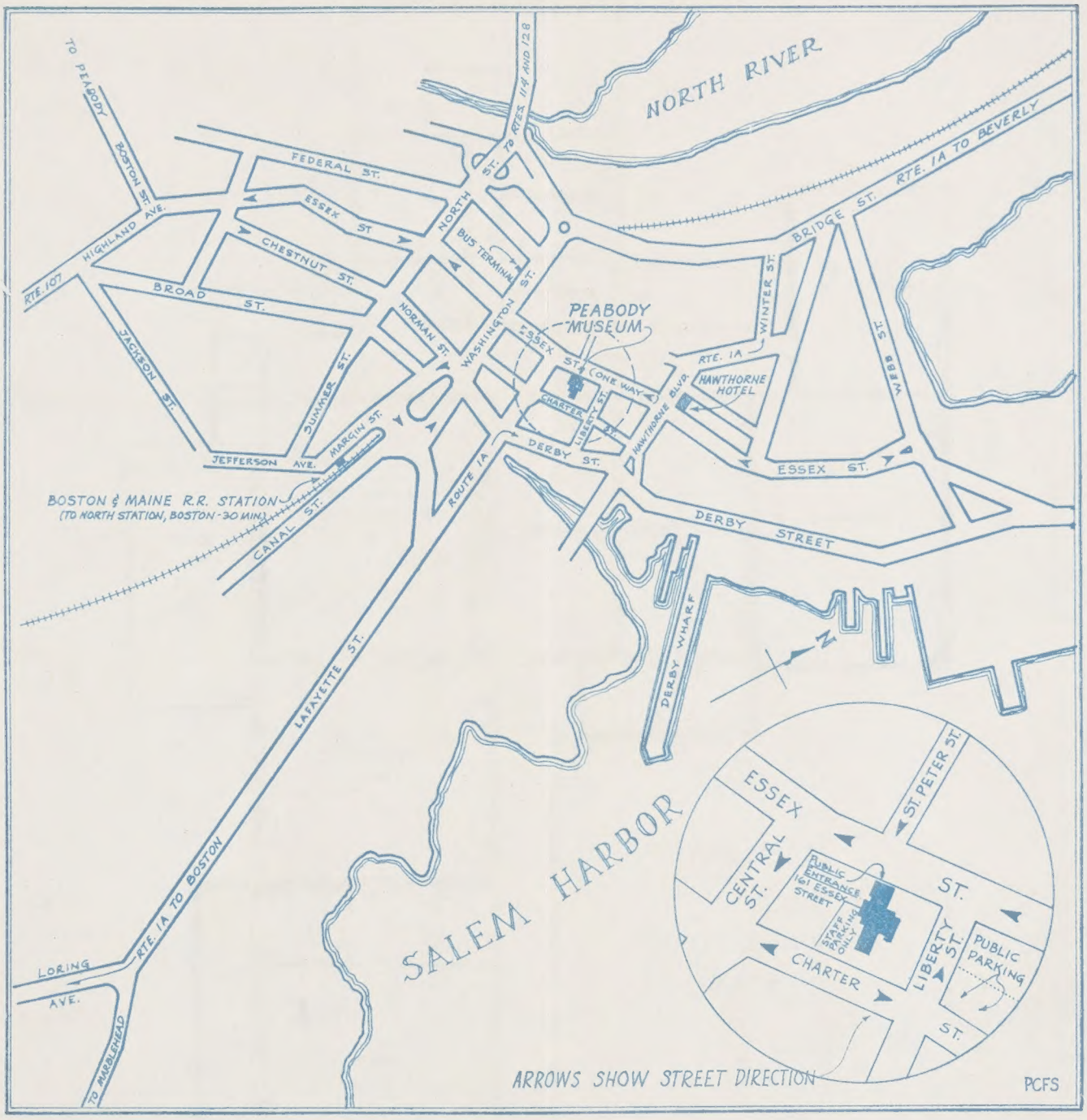
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